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LOCAL ITEMS. John Bray is slowly recovering from his severe illness. The Dorion Post Office has been advertised for sale at \$30,000.

It is rarely the vernal beauties of spring are more conspicuous than now. And still the work of repairing the first stage corner drags wearily along.

"Napoleon" Rose is "one of us again," after a long winter's absence at the South. Col. Anderson will preach in the South Norwalk Baptist church on Sunday next.

The first regatta of the Cedar Point Yacht Club will be held on Memorial Day. Mrs. Bradley Browne, of Broad River, is visiting relatives in Reading Center, N. Y.

Mr. Edgar Scribner, a prominent Weston citizen, died on Monday morning at the age of 74. Miss Hattie H. Hoyt, of Danbury, has been visiting with Miss Alice Cholwell on High street.

"Uncle John" Collins, of Danbury, has been visiting his old neighbors in Norwalk for some days past. Arthur Brown, of East Norwalk, was taken with an epileptic fit last week, and is in a critical condition.

A. A. Chinery, Jr.'s large and palatial residence on Cathedral street is rapidly approaching completion. Connecticut will receive \$5,000 from the \$40,000 appropriation by congress for equipment of the militia.

Messrs. Geo. B. St. John and L. C. Hensford want to Derby yesterday to investigate the electric light plant there. A game of base ball is being talked of to be played by the newspaper men and printers of Norwalk and South Norwalk.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Rogers and Mrs. Annie Louise Carey-Raymond, were visitors to Mr. Everett, Sunday evening. That the fair of St. Paul's Sunday school was well managed, is evidenced by the fact that it netted the handsome sum of \$460.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Treadwell, of this town, attended the meeting of the late Hon. William D. Black, in New Milford, on Thursday. Mrs. John S. Seymour is visiting friends in Pennsylvania and will go from there to a visit to Mr. Seymour's parents in central New York.

Mr. F. B. Winnie, of Hartford, special agent for the National Life Insurance Association, was in town last week in the interest of his company. Among the guests at the Norwalk Hotel on Sunday were the Rev. Charles H. Everett and Louis James, the actor, and family of four children.

Harry Jackson, of East Norwalk, has just completed a 13-foot-rotting shell, which he expects to make a great record on the harbor this summer. The engagement of Mr. George B. St. John and Miss Hannah Lockwood is announced, and congratulations manifold are greeting the worthy pair.

From the number of divorces granted at the recent term of the Superior Court it is apparent that the "conundrum," "Is marriage a failure?" is really a serious one. Judge Andrew Sellock took an old time budge and rode to Bridgeport and back Monday behind his fine roadster, and enjoyed the change from car riding immensely.

U. S. Treasurer Hyatt was in town Saturday, but had to return to Washington today. Yesterday he transferred the responsibilities and burdens of his great office to his successor. The rumor that Photographer Hopper contemplates matrimony, is still further substantiated by the fact that he was out yesterday dressed in a brand-new crushed orange blossom straw hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Malloy were in town over Sunday. They have just returned from an extended tour through the southern states, by which Mr. Malloy's health was much improved. That Halifax man who cut off his wife's ears to keep other men from chasing after her was nobody's fool. Some men might have cut off her tongue, for instance, and made her the most popular woman in town.

Thirteen eight shares of the capital stock of the Union Manufacturing company and ten shares capital stock of the National Bank of Norwalk, belonging to the estate of the late Adolphus Bishop, will be sold at auction on Tuesday next at the office of A. E. Austin.

There is an unlimited amount of "kicking" by the public over the long time and great amount of obstruction material which inconveniences passers around the Hubbell building corner. Have patience. Like sea sickness, it will be over as much better when it is over.

A small accident on the premises of the E. V. A. Chichester estate was set on fire on Friday evening and but for its early discovery and vigorous work on the part of the neighbors and the prompt arrival of the fire department, considerable damage would have resulted.

The New York bars took in \$2,300,000 during the first three days of last week, a fact that legitimates the proud boast that when it comes to a question of imbibing the spirit of broad and generous liberty we can give our forefathers two bases and beat 'em around.

Officer Morehouse arrested a vagrant settler dog without visible signs of sympathy. The dog being unable to prove pedigree, or show color or cause why he should not be dealt with according to law, the officer locked him up in the police room to await the arrival of his friends.

Every dollar expended in improving the external appearance of the old Connecticut Hotel, only makes one feel the keener regrets that the old ugly pile had not been entirely demolished and a new and modern styled structure been erected on the site of that valuable business corner.

Oh, dear! another joke is wasted. The Mechanic's Journal says: "Only \$30,000 worth of horses are sold in this city each year, and the other 200,000 are sold in the city of New York." Well, we would like to know how, being women, they could do otherwise?

Neighbor Jones, of the Westport, says it is due to the efforts of his paper "during the past three years that our citizens now have a good sidewalk from the village to Willow Brook creek," and modestly claims credit for the achievement, in quoting the injunction, "Give the devil his due."

Mrs. Maria Bouton, formerly Mrs. Fred Dixon, now of New York, visited friends recently on High street. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. and Mrs. E. K. Lockwood, it will be remembered, were Norwalk's representatives on Capt. Duncan's famous Quaker City voyage to the Mediterranean.

Superintendent Payne, of the Danbury & North Norwalk division, and Supervisor E. H. of the Long Island Sound division, were in town on Wednesday, looking over the railroad property with a view to making some improvements. The depot is to be painted and the space in the tunnel enlarged by the raising of the bridge.

A letter has been received from Supt. Olmstead of the Insane Asylum at Middletown, stating that Phillip Pattenheimer of Norwalk, escaped Tuesday. He was committed to the Superior Court last March, and lately recovered his reason. Preparations for securing his release were being made by the authorities.

There is historical and churchly precedent for scaling converts to the faith by water, but water was probably used for the first time last week to settle a clerical warfare. A Polish priest at Manistee, Mich., was assaulted by one faction of his church, and the other faction followed, which expressed by calling out the fire company and turning the hose on the mob.

The officers of the Housatonic road met at Brookfield Junction on Monday last in consultation with the local authorities to consider the matter of changing the highway at the station in such manner as to cross the tracks at right angles instead of, as at present, crossing diagonally and running for a considerable distance parallel with the tracks.

The Meriden correspondent of the New York Press states that Captain Charles L. Blackwell contemplates taking a trip to Europe early in June, and taking with him as his bride Miss Mary Everest, the lovely and accomplished daughter of Rev. Mr. Everest. Another bit of local gossip is to the effect that the happy pair are to be united in wedlock here in Norwalk by the father of the bride.

It is stated that during a recent heavy storm, the Elford tower rose above the summit of the rocks, and the workmen on the summit enjoyed brilliant sunshine, while the Champs de Mars below was deluged with rain and whitened with hail. From time to time they saw flashes of lightning and heard claps of thunder far below them.

Everybody talks about broken hearts; and pretty nearly every one has his doubts as to there being any such thing. That a robbery held over the body of Mrs. Jane Bell, of New York, revealed the fact that death was due to rupture of the blood vessels of the heart. Mrs. Bell was in the love with Mr. William Reath, and on hearing of his marriage to a rival, sank immediately into a comatose condition and died.

Elijah Snyder, sixteen years old, has made a record for himself. He was consigned to a robbery in the mails in Macon county, Tennessee. He had taken but a few dollars, which he returned to the judge with penitential tears. The judge, liking his innocent face, sentenced him to the Government Reformatory School in New York instead of to the penitentiary. The judge had accepted the sentence made by the jury, but he thought he might take his little mountain wife with him. He had been married three months.

A young butcher's clerk on Main street, in company with another young man, went hunting a few days ago to Huckleberry Hill, and, becoming thirsty, cornered a cow belonging to a farmer in the neighborhood and milked her. He was observed, however, by the farmer's wife, who demanded pay, which was refused. A few hours later the farmer put on an appearance and gave the young man his choice between paying three dollars and being prosecuted. The young man paid.

A New Haven reporter says: The railroad fight will begin at Hartford this week. The spectators are requested not to interfere with the pugilistic encounter. The boys near the monkey's cage had better keep away, and the gentlemanly agents who have been watching the contest with literature during the past two weeks are particularly requested to "come off." Grape skins should not be mistaken for eyes. The management insist that no blood shall flow. Now, on with the dance! Go it, Housatonic, go it, New Haven, we'll find your bonnets.

The results of the quarrel between General Butler and Admiral Porter up to this time are simply as follows: The General asserts that the Admiral is "an old liar," while the Admiral declares that the General is "a drunken imbecile." If these points are conceded by the interested parties, we may now proceed to consider the historical questions involved in the controversy.

The very desirable homestead formerly belonging to Morgan T. Smith, situated near Danbury & Norwalk station at Windsor, is to be sold at auction on Monday next at 2 o'clock, consisting of 34 acres of land, large dwelling house, carriage house, barn and other buildings. This is a rare opportunity to secure a most desirable home in an excellent neighborhood, at a bargain.

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A great opening has occurred in New York city, and "we," the centennial people, fell into the hole. Only \$30,000 worth of horses are sold in this city each year, and the other 200,000 are sold in the city of New York.

Builder S. B. Wilson is erecting on Cross street, near Main, a carpenter shop, which, in all respects, is a model of general arrangement, he considers the best shop in Norwalk. It is 25x44 feet, two stories high and will be fully equipped with the best of modern machinery, engine, turning and planing machines, etc., and will be second to none in its facilities for turning out the best work in the shortest time.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Fairfield County Teachers' Association, will be held at High School Hall, Bridgeport, Friday and Saturday of this week. Among the teachers from Norwalk who will take part in the discussions is H. B. Wigham, principal of the Over River school, who will open the general meeting on Friday with a paper on the "Deficiencies of our schools and how to remedy them."

About 60 lawyers from all over the state attended the farewell dinner given to John D. Park at the Westport on Monday. The dinner was given by the Westport and was a most successful one. The speaker was John D. Park, who was retiring as chief justice. Ex-Judge Lyman D. Brewster of Danbury presided, and the superior and supreme bench and the bar associations in the state were represented. The oratory was confined to an address by the chairman, and the presentation to Judge Park by State Attorney Samuel Fishenden of the resolutions.

—Fino Style, Extra Wearing, Goodyear General Well, Comfortable, No Nails. Only \$3.00. A. H. Hoyt & Son. The favor with which the new steamer, Cape Charles, is received by the public, is surprising even to the management of the steamer line themselves. The success of the new enterprise was assured from the first trip, and its patronage has increased rapidly ever since. The crew in charge is made up of experienced and efficient officers, and the vessel is under the command of Captain L. B. Byrnes, commander, Louis Keyser; quartermaster, Louis Thompson; engineer, Thos. Williams; first assistant engineer, Samuel Richards; mate, Fred Lenz.

At Parlor Rock, the Housatonic railroad's picnic resort, a number of improvements are being made, under the supervision of Manager Harris, and a large number of picnics and conventions have already been held there. A splendid base ball ground has been laid out on the west side of the track, which will be dedicated with the game between the newspaper men of Bridgeport and New Haven in a couple of weeks. If the Bridgeport scribes play ball half as well as they can sing, may heaven help the umpire.

Says the Standard's Norwalk correspondent:—Ray Alexander Hamilton, who resides on Newtown avenue, and in his possession a pair of andirons which were the property of his great grandfather, Alexander Hamilton, also the table upon which was written General Burgoyne's surrender at Saratoga. Mr. Hamilton told the pupils of the Centre school, last Friday, that the andirons had been in his possession since the day he was first secretary of the treasury, took him to St. Paul's church, New York, and told him of Washington's inauguration, describing to him his appearance and manner on that occasion as well as the ceremonies of that memorable day.

Old Hiram Lodge, No. 1, held a meeting Thursday night to consider the propositions of the Grand Lodge, but adjourned to meet again on Thursday evening next. It was deemed advisable to take a night for deliberation, and the matter was not even formally discussed. The members of the lodge who were present Thursday night were inclined to defer all action until the meeting in January, and see whether the Grand Lodge would not store the eight expelled officers. There is a strong sentiment in the lodge to stick to the officers who worked for the interest of Hiram. Some, however, think that the difficulty would be more satisfactorily adjusted by accepting the charter and that the expelled officers would be more readily taken in if Old Hiram would work in harmony with the Grand Lodge.

A prominent and popular officer of the Housatonic railroad, of about 55, was seen at the office of the whippers and a benevolent countenance, was chatting affably and glibly with a handsome young woman, a chance acquaintance, on a passenger train a few days ago, to the intense amusement of a couple of his gentlemanly friends who sat a few seats behind the smiling couple. One of the gentlemen on mischief bent, proposed to his companion to "have a little fun at the old man's expense," and in pursuance of the scheme, when the train stopped at the next station, the joker started up as if to get off, stopped behind the "old man's" seat, extended his hand and said loudly enough to be heard all over the car, "Well, how do you, Grandpa; next time you come down bring Grandma with you," and then went forward into the smoking car, leaving the "old man" blushing, the young woman horror-stricken and the other passengers snickering.

The senatorial election takes place in New Hampshire next month and the only competitor Senator Chandler has in Dr. Gallinger, a member of the last House of Representatives and one of the best men in the old Granite State. He it was who, last year, so ably and courageously, and against unequal odds, conducted the mirror-side of the public printer investigation, wherein, in order to shield himself and his party, through him, from disgrace, Mr. Benedict and his Democratic champions sought by every means to defame and blacken the character of Public Printer Rounds, then in his grave. Through the keenness and intrepidity of Dr. Gallinger the tables were completely turned upon the heads of the infamous conspirators and Hamam it was and not Mordecai that was hanged. Dr. Gallinger was at the head of the New Hampshire delegation to Chicago last June and the first from a New England state to lead his state delegation over to Benjamin Harrison.

The Rev. Mr. Fishenden's blundering composition in attempting to set up the name of Samuel Fishenden, gets it "Senator" Fishenden. Well, it is more than probable that he "blundered greater than he knew," and unawares was exercising the gift of prophecy, for if general "Sam" Fishenden lives no one is more likely to become a Senator and a United States Senator at that.

In a quaint letter written by George Washington to a personal friend on the 22nd of October, 1790, he writes in the course of the continental army, the latest news of the general's movements is conveyed, with the concluding remark: "As to other articles of Intelligence I must refer you to the Gazette, as the Printers pick up everything that is stirring in that way." What would the immortal George say if he could have come back long enough to witness the work of "the Printers" of our day in picking up "Articles of Intelligence."

Muscular Christianity has broken out in Boston. Mr. Hanscom disseminates gospel in connection with coal to the heathen in that city. A month ago he leased the restaurant part of his mission house to one Mr. Smith, with whom he does not seem to have had a very cordial acquaintance.

Mr. Hanscom, becoming annoyed, punched Mr. Smith's head through a pane of glass and took a bite out of his arm. Mr. Smith's cook rushed to his employer's assistance, when Hanscom seized him and hit a piece out of his arm. The slimmers in the vicinity of Mr. Hanscom's mansion house are returning to evil ways, while their shepard languishes in jail.

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The Winsted Citizens of Saturday says: "At 12:40 this morning, while the train of Frank Robbins' motor cars was en route to Torrington preparatory to the start for Winsted, and while the engine was backing rapidly down, an attempt was made to rush the cars down alone after the engine had been disconnected. The result was that the cars came down with such violence as to telescope two of the four sleeping cars, demolishing them greatly. The cars of the entire train were more or less damaged every car being somewhat injured. The wagons were sprung in many instances, and only for the presence of Mr. Loper, who realized the danger and aroused the inmates of the sleepers, and for the prompt action of the crew, could the loss of life have been avoided. The loss is estimated by Mr. Gaylor, the press agent, at \$10,000, for which the Naugatuck railroad will be called upon to settle. The accident was due to the carelessness of the engineer and brakeman, who attempted to couple the cars while they were moving. There were twenty-two cars in the train."

Over four hundred people in this town have received large, important looking envelopes from the post office, each marked "personal and important" and bearing the imprint, "House of Representatives, U. S., Washington, D. C." These ponderous envelopes contained each a proposition to insert a copper plate portrait of the recipient in the big book to be called "Washington Illustrated," as a souvenir of the late Inaugural Centennial in New York, the object being to publish the portraits of all the "prominent people" who witnessed the parades. The compiler is a generous soul, and offers to make a splendid portrait and insert it in the book "free of charge to you on receipt of your photograph and cost of making copper plate engraving of same, \$10.75."

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The Winsted Citizens of Saturday says: "At 12:40 this morning, while the train of Frank Robbins' motor cars was en route to Torrington preparatory to the start for Winsted, and while the engine was backing rapidly down, an attempt was made to rush the cars down alone after the engine had been disconnected. The result was that the cars came down with such violence as to telescope two of the four sleeping cars, demolishing them greatly. The cars of the entire train were more or less damaged every car being somewhat injured. The wagons were sprung in many instances, and only for the presence of Mr. Loper, who realized the danger and aroused the inmates of the sleepers, and for the prompt action of the crew, could the loss of life have been avoided. The loss is estimated by Mr. Gaylor, the press agent, at \$10,000, for which the Naugatuck railroad will be called upon to settle. The accident was due to the carelessness of the engineer and brakeman, who attempted to couple the cars while they were moving. There were twenty-two cars in the train."

Over four hundred people in this town have received large, important looking envelopes from the post office, each marked "personal and important" and bearing the imprint, "House of Representatives, U. S., Washington, D. C." These ponderous envelopes contained each a proposition to insert a copper plate portrait of the recipient in the big book to be called "Washington Illustrated," as a souvenir of the late Inaugural Centennial in New York, the object being to publish the portraits of all the "prominent people" who witnessed the parades. The compiler is a generous soul, and offers to make a splendid portrait and insert it in the book "free of charge to you on receipt of your photograph and cost of making copper plate engraving of same, \$10.75."

The State enactment of Sons of Veterans last of September, Oct. Monday afternoon, elected these officers: Colonel, G. Brainard Smith, of Hartford; lieutenant colonel, Capt. Wessels of Litchfield; major W. J. M. Graham, of Waterbury; division council, W. N. Barber, of Meriden, C. O. Rossberg, of New Britain, W. M. Bennett, of Berlin; adjutant, J. H. Hays, of Wallingford; secretary, J. H. Hays, of Wallingford; chaplain, C. P. Hays, of Wallingford; alternate, J. G. North, of Ansonia. Past Colonel Eugene Morehouse installed the officers in the evening.

The enlistment of the national government in the work of protecting the oyster growing interests by the fact that the oyster fishery is over-weight and the recipient is compelled to pay two cents "postage due" to get it from the post office, so that in this town alone, where over 400 were sent, the compiler saved at least \$800 in postage by sending his liberal offer under the name of the compiler.

C. H. Peck has the time table of the Housatonic road in 1882, when R. B. Mason was superintendent and the trains ran on pine rails, iron plated. The road was then finished to West Stockbridge, a passenger and freight train running each way. The freight train was then finished to West Stockbridge on its return the next morning at 9 a. m., the passenger left Bridgeport at 11:15 a. m. and started for West Stockbridge the next day at 11:30 a. m., running in six hours and a half. The fare from West Cornwall to New York was \$2.00, connection being made at Bridgeport with the steamers Nimrod or Croton, which would leave Bridgeport at 11 o'clock on the morning and reached New York at 4 p. m. This required the traveler to stop over night in both New Haven and Bridgeport on the trip. The Housatonic was then the only railroad in New England, stages being in general use, by which New Haven and Bridgeport were connected. Bridgeport twice daily; Winsted by a daily stage to West Stockbridge; one running to New Milford and another via Woodbury to Newtown and Danbury by daily stages. Passengers were warned to be at the station fifteen minutes before the time advertised for them to leave. E. S. Johnson, Jr., was then Bridgeport's postmaster, who advertised that a mail agent had been placed on the Housatonic road. There were two daily mails to New York, one by steamer and the other by stage, a daily mail up the Housatonic road and another for New Haven and points east.—Western Life.

Spiritualism has been exposed again. It is down in the great State of Ohio, where a family of spiritualizing mediums, was showing some of his sample ghosts to Doctor Buckner, of Covington. They did not first meet the doctor's notion of first-class-wool-and-yard-wind phantoms, so, like the good old country woman buying prints, he concluded to test the pieces of their wares. He took the lines of the weekly stages, one running to New Milford and another via Woodbury to Newtown and Danbury by daily stages. Passengers were warned to be at the station fifteen minutes before the time advertised for them to leave. E. S. Johnson, Jr., was then Bridgeport's postmaster, who advertised that a mail agent had been placed on the Housatonic road. There were two daily mails to New York, one by steamer and the other by stage, a daily mail up the Housatonic road and another for New Haven and points east.—Western Life.

WESTPORT. The yacht LeGrand B. is to be yawl rigged. There is no improvement in the condition of Mrs. Solomon Gray. The Saugatuck Iron Works company are said to be full of orders. The Terschichron Society will give a reception on the evening of May 29.

The ladies of Christ church will give a pink tea at the church parlors on June 6. A ripe strawberry which grew to perfection in open air is reported at Saugatuck. The yachts Uarda and Go Softly, by their appearance, are likely to be conspicuous in bearing circles this summer.

Members of Old Well Lodge, F. & A. M., of South Norwalk, are expected to visit Temple Lodge of this place Thursday night and expensively work in the third degree. Horace Staples read a paper at the May meeting of the Historical Society, which is spoken of as containing more local matter than any previous paper offered by him.

